



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

MAY 5, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP

THE SILENT MEDITATION UPON ENTERING THE SANCTUARY

Loving the church that Jesus loves means being faithful in worship. Here Jesus is the perfect example. If anyone could have said that He had such a close relationship with God that He didn't need the church, it was God the Son. Yet again and again we see Him going to the synagogue or the temple for worship. If it was important for Jesus to worship with the people of God, it is certainly important for us.

PHIL RYKEN IN LOVING JESUS MORE



APPROACHING GOD'S THRONE

The Christian Greeting and Call to Preparation

Rev. Bill Clark, *Interim Minister*

The Prelude

Prelude on 'Be Thou My Vision'

Gerre Hancock

*When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth,
for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak,
and He will declare to you the things that are to come.*

John 16:13

The Announcements

Rev. Kurt Cooper, *Assistant Minister*

The Chiming of the Hour

† Indicates the congregation standing

• Indicates seating for those detained

The Choral Introit *Rise, My Soul, and Stretch Thy Wings*

AMSTERDAM

Rise, my soul, and stretch thy wings, thy better portion trace;
Rise from transitory things to Heaven, thy destined place.
Sun and moon and stars decay, time shall soon this earth remove;
Rise, my soul, and haste away to seats prepared above.

† The Call to Worship – Nehemiah 9:5-6 (*congregation reads bold type*)

Stand up and bless the Lord your God from everlasting to everlasting.

**Blessed be Your glorious name,
which is exalted above all blessing and praise.**

You are the Lord, You alone.

**You have made Heaven, the Heaven of heavens,
with all their host,**

the earth and all that is on it,

the seas and all that is in them;

and You preserve all of them;

and the host of Heaven worships You.

•† The Hymn No. 265

Arise, My Soul, Arise

LENOX

† The Prayer of Invocation

† The Lord's Prayer

Our Father Which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

•† The Doxology – No. 650 in *The Hymnal*

OLD HUNDREDTH

SEEKING GOD'S FACE

The Call to Confession – Isaiah 30:18

The LORD waits to be gracious to you, and therefore He exalts Himself to show mercy to you. For the LORD is a God of justice; blessed are all those who wait for Him.

The Prayers of Confession – adapted from John Calvin

**Almighty God, since You have delayed with so much forbearance
the punishments which we richly deserve and daily bring upon ourselves,
grant that we may not indulge ourselves,
but carefully consider how often and in how many different ways
we have provoked Your wrath against us.
May we learn to humbly present ourselves before You for pardon,
and with true repentance implore Your mercy.
With all our heart we desire to submit ourselves to You,
whether You chastise us or, according to Your infinite goodness, forgive us.
Let our condition be ever blessed,
not by flattering ourselves in our apathy,
but by finding You to be our kind and bountiful Father,
reconciled to us in Your only-begotten Son. Amen.**

The Assurance of God's Pardon – 2 Corinthians 5:21

For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

The Recogniton of Our Graduating Seniors

Rev. Kurt Cooper

RICHARDSON MCCONNELL FREEMAN III – The Montgomery Academy
WILLIAM TAYLOR HALL – The Montgomery Academy
MOLLY CAROLINE HOWARD – The Montgomery Academy
ELISABETH ANNE LINDA JOHNSON – Loveless Academic Magnet Program
LUKE STILL JORDAN – The Montgomery Academy
CHRISTOPHER WEBBER MCCLINTON – Trinity Presbyterian School
RANDALL WALKER MCCLINTON – Trinity Presbyterian School
AVA GRACE THOMAS – The Montgomery Academy
SALLY ANNE WARREN – Trinity Presbyterian School

The Pastoral Prayer

•† The Hymn No. 316

The Church's One Foundation

AURELIA

The Offering

*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart,
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.
2 Corinthians 9:7*

HEARING GOD'S VOICE

The Anthem

Saints Bound for Heaven

Trad., arr. Alice Parker

Our bondage it shall end by and by,
From Egypt's yoke set free, hail the glorious jubilee,
And to Canaan we'll return by and by.

Our Deliverer He shall come by and by,
And our sorrows have an end with our three-score years and ten,
And vast glory crown the day by and by.

And when to Jordan's floods we are come,
Jehovah rules the tide and the waters He'll divide,
And the ransomed host shall shout we are come!

Then with all the happy throng we'll rejoice!
Shouting glory to our King, 'til the vaults of Heaven ring,
And through all eternity we'll rejoice!

The Prayer for Illumination

Rev. Clark

† The Reading of God's Word - 1 John 4:1-6

pew Bible, page 1303

*If you are visiting today and do not own a copy of the Scriptures,
please take one from the table in the narthex as our gift.*

All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field.

**The grass withers and the flowers fade,
but the Word of our God shall stand forever. Amen.**

Isaiah 40:6b, 8

The Personal Meditation and Preparation of the Heart

*Children age four through kindergarten may leave to attend Children's Church.
They may be picked up in Room E-100 after the service.*

The Sermon

CONFIDENT CHRISTIAN LIVING
XI. Living Confidently in a Deceitful World

Rev. Clark

FOLLOWING GOD'S SPIRIT

† The Hymn No. 290 *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God* LIVING BREATH OF GOD

† The Benediction of God's Grace

† The Threefold Amen – No. 657 in *The Hymnal*

The Postlude

God Is Our Hope and Strength
The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah
Psalm 46:7

Robert J. Powell



The Sanctuary Flowers

**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS THIS LORD'S DAY ARE GIVEN
TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF THE INSTALLATION OF**

Reverend Kurt Cooper

AS SENIOR MINISTER OF TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERMON NOTES

Living Confidently in a Deceitful World

1 John 4:1-6

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,
this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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